

**B. In the Title**

Please amend the title of the present invention to read as follows:

**-- APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE BEND  
RADIUS OF AN OPTICAL FIBER CABLE --.**

**C. In the Claims**

Amend Claim 1 to read as follows:

1. A method for controlling the bend radius of at least a portion of an optical fiber cable having at least one optical fiber, the method comprising the steps of:
  - a. providing a jacket of a heat shrinkable-material;
  - b. placing the jacket around the portion of the optical fiber cable;
  - c. bending the portion of the optical fiber cable at a desired bend angle; and
  - d. shrinking the jacket around the optical fiber cable by the application of heat causing the optical fiber cable to assume the desired bend angle.